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1.	Statement						
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-13	YES			
		Claims		NO			
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-13	YES			
		Claims		NO			
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-13	YES			
		Claims		NO			

- 2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)
 - Document 1: WO 99/67743 A1 (Yoshikazu Ichiyama), 29

 December 1999, page 11, line 23 to page 131,

 line 1; fig. 10 and 11
 - Document 2: JP 11-205652 A (Yoshikazu Ichiyama), 30 July 1999, entire text; fig. 1 to 7
 - Document 3: JP 2002-24816 A (Yokokawa Denki Kabushiki Kaisha), 25 January 2002, entire text; fig. 1 to 10

The inventions set forth in claims 1 to 13 are not disclosed in any of the documents cited in the international search report, and would not be obvious to a person skilled in the art.